

## BOTH PARTIES ARE GETTING READY FOR FINAL GREAT CLASH

Democrats Scent Victory  
as Harding Continues  
to Wobble on League.

ROOT AND TAFT THORNS  
IN SIDE OF REPUBLICANS

Important G. O. P. Leader De-  
clares He Hopes They Will  
Go Fishing.

MARION CANDIDATE COACHED

Managers Fear His Leaving Front  
Porch Without Knowing What  
to Say.

BY LOUIS SEIBOLD.

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—Roll call  
could probably disclose the fact that  
the most important men in the Demo-  
cratic and Republican national organi-  
zations have been concentrated in New  
York for a week awaiting the devel-  
opment of conditions which have so  
far resisted the attempts of the pro-  
fessional to dispel. The rival leaders  
have directed their attention to prepa-  
rations for the storm that is expect-  
ed to mark the final passes of the  
campaign.

Leaders of both parties cite paral-  
lels between the existing political con-  
ditions and those that characterized  
previous campaigns. The Republi-  
cans go back to 1892 for their anal-  
ogy. They assert that the Democrats  
are now in the same position as the  
Republicans were in 1912, when a  
vast percentage of the vote was  
cast for Woodrow Wilson. The Demo-  
crats find comfort in the lesson of 1908, when  
Taft defeated Mr. Bryan in the  
national election.

Taft won in 1912, they say, and  
when Mr. Taft left his "front porch"  
that day the surface indications  
showed him to be beaten. Mr. Bryan  
successfully attacked the injunc-  
tions of the Republican candi-  
date and attracted to his support  
substantial support of the labor  
and radical groups, yet Mr. Taft won  
the election by a narrow margin.

The Republican leaders now assem-  
bled at New York believe that the  
result of '20 is to be reversed. The  
Democrats cling optimistically to the  
hope that Mr. Cox can duplicate the  
achievement of '08.

All signs to which professionals at-  
tach importance point unerringly one  
way at the present stage of the cam-  
paign. There is no doubt about that,  
the Democrats, confronted with the  
obole loss of all the New England,  
Atlantic seaboard, the more important  
Middle Western, Mountain and  
Pacific Coast States that Theodore  
Roosevelt carried into the Demo-  
cratic column eight years ago, and Woodrow  
Wilson kept there, fully realize the  
enormous obstacles that must be  
successfully negotiated during the  
mainly thirty-eight days of fight-  
ing.

Democratic troubles of vital im-  
portance are contributed by groups  
of voters of alien origin and  
—Irish, Italians, Germans, Polish  
and Russian Jews—plus intense and  
bitter prejudice against President  
Wilson personally and his adminis-  
tration generally.

G. O. P. Sows Discontent Seeds.  
Republicans are convinced quite cer-  
tainly that they have sowed the seeds  
of dissent too solidly to be uprooted,  
no matter how valiantly their rivals  
seed and turn over. But the Demo-  
crats are going to tackle the task  
of attempting to prove that the Re-  
publican campaign is "an emotional  
campaign" due to clever professional  
manipulation. The Republicans are  
ready to fight it out on that line,  
evident that the Democrats cannot  
in a single "doubtful" State—New  
York, West Virginia, Ohio, Kentucky,  
Indiana—essential to Demo-  
cratic success, but not entirely vital  
to the Republicans.

The attitude of Governor Cox is  
considered by many Republicans to  
be for no further illuminating, while  
that of Mr. Harding is vacillatingly  
certain. Reports from Republican  
state leaders indicate a disturbing  
vision of sentiment among voters  
in the league question.

Harding Must Change Again.  
Leaders holding antagonistic views  
of the league generally agree that  
Harding must make another ef-  
fort to define his exact attitude  
toward the rub. If he surrenders  
to the advocates of slightly diluted  
reservations to the league, it cov-  
ers the danger of incurring the  
path of the irreconcilable groups  
led by Johnson and Borah. If  
he does not he may lose support of  
a very large number of Republi-  
cans who accept the judgment of  
the Root, Attorney-General Wick-  
ham, as also an impressive array  
of public men who are normally Re-  
publican.

The Republican National Commit-  
tee members have dodged a "show  
down" to date, but they frankly  
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## Guards Doubled When Treasury Is Threatened

(By Universal Service.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—  
Guards were increased around and  
through all public buildings to-  
day upon receipt of the following  
misapprehension, barely legible note at  
the Treasury:

"Have all clerks out of the  
building between 3 and 4 o'clock  
this afternoon." During the hour,  
the note stated, the building  
would be blown up. All strangers  
who attempted to enter the Treas-  
ury were closely questioned by  
Secret Service men.

Additional guards have been  
placed at the Capitol and the  
State, War and Navy Depart-  
ments. It is permitted to  
carry a package, but only a  
lunch box into any one of the  
buildings.

## GOOD BUSINESS ALL REST OF THE YEAR IS FORECAST

Buying Reported in Liberal Volume  
Despite Disturbing  
Factors.

WHEAT BREAK SENSATIONAL

Grain Values Go to Lower Levels  
Because of Food Agitation.  
Woolen Goods Are Reduced.  
Restaurants Lower Prices.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—Good  
business the rest of this year de-  
spite disturbing factors in the com-  
mercial, industrial and agricultural  
outlook is predicted in a report made  
public tonight by the committee on  
statistics and standards of the Cham-  
ber of Commerce of the United  
States. The report, which deals with  
conditions as observed this month,  
describes buying as of liberal vol-  
ume, but on a sane and sober basis of  
needs as contrasted with specula-  
tive purchasing of previous months.

The committee says that a cloud  
has appeared on the automobile hori-  
zon, which, it adds, "seems to pre-  
sage very definitely lessened produc-  
tion in the near future and prob-  
ably different and more economical  
methods of distribution."

Despite good crops, the committee  
states that the demand for wheat is  
not without its cloud, describing the  
shortage of wheat as far-reaching with  
the result that the elevators are full  
of grain and unable to get cars.

Building construction, the commit-  
tee reports, "has practically come to  
a standstill because of being tied  
hand and foot by the unreliability  
and uncertainty of labor, high prices,  
scarcity of materials and the almost  
impossibility of financing any con-  
struction."

Big Break in Wheat.  
CHICAGO, Sept. 24.—Big breaks in  
the price of wheat took place today,  
largely as a result of agitation for  
a general cut in food cost. The smash  
of values in wheat amounted to as  
much as 12 3/4 cents a bushel and  
the market closed in a semidemo-  
cratic condition. December delivery at  
\$2.25 to \$2.25 1/2 and March \$2.15 to  
\$2.16.

In sympathy with the weakness of  
wheat other grain markets also gave  
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## STRIKE CALLED AGAINST AMERICAN CAN COMPANY

Walkout, Authorized by Machinists  
in Rochester, Will Affect Rich-  
mond Plant.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 24.—A  
general strike against the American  
Can Company, involving its fifty-six  
plants and 5,000 machinists, was  
called today by the executive com-  
mittee of the International Association  
of Machinists and approved by the  
majority of the association, which  
is in session here.

Plants in the following cities are  
said to be among those affected by  
the strike:  
"Baltimore, Richmond, Va., Savan-  
nah, Ga. and New Orleans."

The strike is said by officers of the  
union to be the result of dissen-  
sion at the Newark, N. J., plant, where  
it is charged the company refused to  
grant the men wage increases and re-  
cognition of the right to bargain col-  
lectively.

## WHITE SAYS HARDING SOUNDED FALSE NOTE TO GET VOTE OF IRISH

Refers to Record in Congress  
as 'Against Sympathy for  
'Young Republic.'

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—The state-  
ment of Senator Harding on the Irish  
question at Marion yesterday, that  
"we voted an expression of that sym-  
pathy in the Senate at the time when  
peace delegates were conferring in  
Paris," was characterized today by  
George F. Sullivan, chairman of the Demo-  
cratic National Committee, as an at-  
tempt "to catch the Irish vote."

"This is a disingenuous statement  
and is intended to catch the Irish  
vote," Mr. Sullivan said. "The facts  
as are disclosed on page 733 of the  
Congressional Record of 1919, that  
not only did Senator Harding vote  
for that expression of sympathy  
for Ireland in the Senate at that time  
(June 6, 1919), but that some months  
later when the question was again  
put up to a Senate by Senator Gerry,  
he is recorded on the 18th day  
of March in page 4830, of the Con-  
gressional Record of 1920, as voting  
"against" it.

"Senator Harding cannot deceive  
the Irish by now implying that he  
voted with others for such an ex-  
pression of sympathy when his record  
in the Senate discloses the fact that  
at all times and on all occasions  
when the question of self-determina-  
tion for Ireland came up in the Sen-  
ate, he either failed to vote or voted  
against it."

Southern Musical Bureau.  
Season Concert tickets in great de-  
mand.—Center Section almost gone.  
First Broad Street. Randolph  
Adv.

## COX CHARGES HAYS WITH INSTITUTING PLOT OF SILENCE

News Is Suppressed and  
Issues Are Diverted,  
Says Nominee.

TERM "POISONING" APPLIED  
TO REPUBLICAN METHODS

"Big Business" Is Played for  
Contributing to Campaign  
to Prejudice Voters.

(By Associated Press.)

DENVER, Colo., Sept. 24.—Attacks  
upon Chairman Hays, of the Republi-  
can National Committee, and Republi-  
can newspaper editors, charged with  
"a conspiracy of silence" against the  
Democratic cause, featured today's  
Colorado campaign of Governor Cox.

The new line of assault on the  
Democratic presidential candidate,  
who charged that Mr. Hays, acting  
for the Republican National Com-  
mittee and Republican newspaper edi-  
tors, was conspiring to suppress  
news and divert issues of the Cox  
campaign, was made by the Governor  
in three Colorado speeches today at  
Trinidad, Pueblo, and at a large  
meeting here tonight at the auditorium.

"Poisoning" was the term applied  
by Governor Cox in his charges re-  
garding the Republican newspapers,  
and he likened Chairman Hays to the  
"sneaking guerrilla, who, in the days  
of old, poisoned wells for the destruc-  
tion of enemies."

Hays Sent Advance Agent.  
Mr. Hays, the candidate declared,  
sent an advance agent to confer with  
Colorado editors, as well as to New  
Mexico, to plan the alleged undermin-  
ing of the Democratic campaign.

Last Monday at Denver, Governor  
Cox asserted in his Pueblo speech,  
editors of Colorado Republican news-  
papers assembled and to give un-  
derstanding to Mr. Stephens, said to  
have been an agent of Chairman Hays.

"The editors were asked to divert  
the public mind from the league and  
other paramount issues to minor af-  
fairs," said the Governor. "They  
were told to ask questions thought-  
lessly, to mislead, and to give un-  
favorable reports on my reception."

"The Republican National Com-  
mittee is maintaining a large organiza-  
tion for the purpose. It has men  
traveling all over the country, and  
the funds of the Republican organiza-  
tion are being used to make this kind  
of a campaign at a time when hu-  
manity is to pass on the great ques-  
tions involving more interests and  
more principle than at any time in  
the history of the world."

"The rich men of America, who are  
living in comfort," the Governor con-  
tinued, "reiterating charges of 'big  
business' contributions to the Republi-  
cans, 'certainly ought to be proud  
of the fact that they have made it  
impossible for Hays to conduct this  
kind of a campaign. The reason is  
that it is apparent to any unpreju-  
diced person that the West is over-  
whelmingly for the league of nations,  
and that the majority of the West  
will go with the league."

The league of nations issue, which  
the Governor said the Republicans  
were trying to sidetrack in the news-  
papers, progressivism, labor and re-  
clamation were other major topics of  
the candidate's Colorado address.

He also played "big business" for  
allied aid to the Republican cause  
and the "corruption fund" of its "cor-  
ruption fund" to the newspaper editor  
he imputed to Chairman Hays.

Attacks upon the "sensational olig-  
archy," and Senator Harding as its  
reactionary candidate, also were re-  
peated. Thousands heard the Demo-  
cratic nominee tonight at the audi-  
torium, which was cleared of troops  
being used in the city street car  
strike.

## FIRST ARREST IS MADE IN DENTON MURDER CASE

Plumber Declares He Nailed Door to  
Cellar in Which Man's Body

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 24.—  
"I nailed up the cellar door at the  
house of Joseph Denton, on South  
Catalina Street."

This statement by James Crow-  
hurst, a plumber, first to be arrested  
in connection with the mysterious  
murder of the wealthy mining op-  
erator added today to the mass of  
astonishing information that has  
been gathered in twenty-four hours  
by police and through unofficial  
channels.

Denton's body, wrapped in bed  
clothing, bound with ropes, was  
found yesterday buried in a special-  
ly constructed closet in the basement  
of his home on South Catalina Street.  
Denton was last seen alive, so far as  
the police have been able to learn of  
his movements, on June 2.

## KNOXVILLE POLICE ARREST OVER SCORE OF SUSPECTS

Dragnet Out for Marauder, Who Has  
Terrorized City With Attacks  
on Women.

KNOXVILLE, TENN., Sept. 24.—  
Late tonight more than a score of  
suspects had been snared in the po-  
lice dragnet thrown about the city  
for three nights in an effort to ap-  
prehend the mysterious marauder who  
has terrorized Knoxville since last  
fall with attacks upon women, of  
which five have met death and almost  
a dozen have been wounded.

There is no direct evidence, how-  
ever, to connect any of these suspects  
with the fatal shooting of Miss Alice  
Burnett and the serious wounding  
of Miss Ruth Cox.

## SQUAD OF DETECTIVES WITHDRAWS AT ORDER OF ONE IRATE WOMAN

Mrs. A. F. Ambold Emphatic as She Tells Men, Who  
Want to Hunt for Explosives Her Son May Have  
Hidden, to Clear Out.

One lone woman yesterday after-  
noon foiled the efforts of Pinkerton  
detectives, police, Department of Jus-  
tice operatives and post-office inspec-  
tors to raid a house at 420 South Pine  
Street in the hope of discovering  
bombs, or other hidden explosives,  
secreted there by Ernest B. Ambold,  
alias James L. Smith, self-styled  
"Chief of the Purple Band," who is  
under arrest in Connellsville, Pa.,  
after having written Chief of Police  
C. A. Sherry letters informing him  
that his "band" would rob a bank  
here October 1.

Ambold is a Richmonder and his  
mother, Mrs. A. F. Ambold, resides  
at 420 South Pine Street. He has not  
been here for some time. Police, to-  
gether with Federal officers, decided  
yesterday to search the former home  
of Ambold for clues to a possible rob-  
bery of a Richmond bank. In force  
they descended on the dwelling of the  
lone woman yesterday afternoon.  
They were met at the door and re-  
fused entrance.

Mrs. Ambold declared that she lived  
alone and that the officers had no  
right to search her home. She re-  
fused them entrance and ordered  
them from the porch. So emphatic  
was she, the officers declared, that  
they were convinced she knew noth-  
ing of the proposed robbery and al-  
lowed themselves to be driven not  
only from the porch, but from the  
yard.

Officials of the Department of Jus-  
tice last night declared that they  
have received word from operatives  
in Connellsville, to the effect that

Ambold had signed a complete con-  
fession of his guilt in sending the  
letter to Chief Sherry threatening to  
rob a bank here.

The letter follows:  
"Watch out, October 1, one of your  
banks is going to miss something by  
the purple mark band. We rob, only  
the rich and help the poor. So I am  
warning you as I always do. As  
ever, The chief of the purple band.  
Don't interfere with us."

Some of the officials of the de-  
partment think the letter was a hoax,  
but it impressed the police to such  
an extent that a cordon of police  
is being thrown around the bank-  
ing section here every night. It was  
learned yesterday.

From the Department of Justice it  
was learned yesterday that instruc-  
tions have been received to bring  
Ambold to Richmond for trial. If the  
prosecuting attorney of the Penn-  
sylvania district in which Ambold is now  
located, does not wish to handle the  
case. The statement was made that  
in all probability he would be  
brought here for trial.

Complete befuddlement of the po-  
lice by Mrs. Ambold was declared  
that she had not seen her son for  
some time and that she had no in-  
terest in the matter, threw the au-  
thorities into a quandary yesterday.  
No information concerning the his-  
tory of Ambold is at hand, and the  
some clue to the identity of others  
of the "band," if any such organi-  
zation really exists, Ambold is em-  
ployed in railroad work.

## LACKAYE IS IN HOSPITAL FROM MCGRAW'S BLOW

Ankle of Actor Is Fractured, Re-  
sult of Clash in Baseball  
Man's Home.

SUPPOSEDLY GOOD FRIENDS  
Was Bidding Magnate Good Night  
When Left Hit Him in Jaw,  
Knocking Him Down and Causing  
Serious Injury, Man Declares.

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—Wilton  
Lackaye, the actor, is in a hospital  
suffering from a fractured ankle re-  
ceived, he explained today, when John  
McGraw, manager and part owner of  
the New York Giants, hit him as he  
was leaving McGraw's home here last  
Saturday night, supposedly good  
friends. The actor declared that when  
he was bidding McGraw "good night,"  
the Giants' manager put out his right  
hand as if to shake hands, but in-  
stead suddenly shot his left to Lack-  
aye's jaw. Lackaye fell to the floor  
and fractured his ankle.

"I had been away most of the sum-  
mer," Lackaye said, "and did not  
know much about the recent nasty  
mess McGraw was mixed up in at the  
Lamb Club, when he got into a fight  
with William Boyd. When I re-  
turned, a mutual friend told me Mc-  
Graw had been suspended from the  
Lamb Club and lost most of his friends.  
Later I telephoned him and he invited  
me to his house. It was last Satur-  
day night. I went to the house and  
in the interest of friendship I told  
him the best thing for him was to  
forget about the Lamb affair."

"McGraw suddenly became suspicious  
and demanded to know who had  
said that. He told me that the man  
had said he and I was acting on my  
own initiative. I also told him that  
if he felt any suspicion towards my  
motives, I would have to leave. It  
was then that I put out my hand to  
shake hands with McGraw and he at-  
tacked me without warning."

"When I put out my hand McGraw  
put out his right hand, but suddenly  
drew back with his left and hit me  
in the jaw. I crumpled up in a sofa  
by my side, with my right ankle  
twisted under me. I got up then and  
aimed a few wallops at McGraw, but  
the fight was stopped by others in  
the room. I went to the street with-  
out assistance and called a cab, and  
it was not until the next day, when  
I saw a physician, that I learned that  
my ankle was fractured."

Mr. McGraw issued a signed state-  
ment late tonight denying that he  
had assaulted Mr. Lackaye. The ac-  
tor, he added, called at the McGraw  
apartment about midnight Saturday,  
and became abusive. I remonstrated  
with him, telling him that Mrs. Mc-  
Graw was within hearing, and in-  
sisted on him leaving my home. He  
refused, whereupon two of my guests  
—Magistrate Francis X. McQuade and  
B. J. Pratt, of Chicago—escorted him  
to the door. After he got outside the  
door he kicked one of my guests—Mr.  
Pratt—and in the scuffle that fol-  
lowed slipped to the floor. I did not  
strike Mr. Lackaye at any time."

## KELLY DIED FROM WOUNDS, PEASANTS TELL POLES

Richmond Aviator, Shot Down by  
Reds, Gave His Life for  
Poland.

WARSAW, Sept. 24.—Peasants liv-  
ing in the territory recaptured by the  
Poles are authority for the statement  
that Captain Marion Cooper, of Jack-  
sonville, Fla., a member of the Kos-  
ciuszko Aerial Squadron, is a prison-  
er in the hands of the Bolsheviks,  
and that Captain Arthur D. Kelly, of  
Richmond, Va., a member of the same  
squadron, died from wounds, after  
he had been shot down by the Bol-  
shevists.

Multi-Murderer Executed.  
SAN QUENTIN, CAL., Sept. 24.—  
Morris Gibson, negro slayer of Roy  
G. Trap, rancher of Pullerton, Cal.,  
and of Jacob Ehrhardt and wife, of  
Phoenix, Ariz., was hanged at the  
State penitentiary here today. Fol-  
lowing his arrest, Gibson stated that  
he killed four other people, but the  
authorities could not prove his state-  
ment.

Last C. & O. Sunday Excursion to-  
morrow, September 26th, \$2.40 Round  
Trip, \$2.40 Norfolk and Seaside.—Adv.

## REED CALLS BLUFF BY G. O. P. EDITOR OF FUNDS FOR COX

Implied Charge That Day-  
ton Firm Gave Secretly  
\$5,000 Check.

CORPORATION'S PRESIDENT  
IS SUMMONED TO TESTIFY

Money, According to Republi-  
can, Was Used in 1918  
State Campaign.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—An im-  
plied charge that Governor Cox, Dem-  
ocratic presidential candidate, had re-  
ceived in 1918 a concealed campaign  
contribution of \$5,000 from the Day-  
ton (Ohio) Metal Products Company  
today sent the Senate campaign in-  
vestigating committee off on a wholly  
new track.

On demand of Democratic members  
of the committee, immediate inquiry  
was ordered, although the Ohio State  
campaign, it was agreed, was out-  
side the committee's jurisdiction. Of-  
ficials of the Metal Products Com-  
pany and of the City National Bank  
of Dayton were called to appear to-  
morrow before the committee.

No direct charge was made. Citing  
as his authority an examiner for a  
House aircraft investigation commit-  
tee, however, George B. Lockwood,  
editor of the National Republican,  
volunteered the statement as a lead  
which the committee might follow.

The examiner said that in 1918,  
the Dayton Metal Products Company  
made a check for \$5,000 to the  
Dayton City National Bank. The  
check was cashed by the bank and the  
money was used in the 1918 State  
campaign.

The effort was to make it appear  
that this was an obligation that Mr.  
Cox had entered into with the City  
National Bank of Dayton some time  
before, Lockwood said. "But it ap-  
pears to me from all the circum-  
stances that it must have been a  
contribution from this corporation to  
Mr. Cox's campaign fund."

Talbot Called at Once.  
Lockwood named H. E. Talbot,  
president of the Metal Products com-  
pany in 1918 and of the bank, as the  
witness who should be called, and a  
message to Talbot was sent imme-  
diately.

"It does come within the purview  
of this committee's business," Senator  
Reed said. "But I am going to insist  
that this matter be immediately in-  
vestigated and that we get out of  
the realm of deduction into that of  
fact."

Aside from the incident involving  
the Metal Products Company check,  
the committee ranged over a wide  
field of inquiry during the day. It  
heard volunteered statements from  
assistants to Attorney-General, Pal-  
mer, who were in San Francisco dur-  
ing the Democratic convention, that  
they had traveled on official business  
which, they said, justified the ex-  
penditure accounts submitted and  
approved.

It failed to find any similar ac-  
counts in the Post-Office Department,  
the disbursing officer testifying that  
there were no trips to San Francisco  
at government expense reported for  
the convention period.

Heard of Republican Methods.  
It heard something of the industrial  
group organization plan of soliciting  
campaign funds employed by New  
York City workers for the Republican  
National Committee. It explored the  
financing of the soldier publication,  
"Soldier's Friend," developing a pos-  
sible connection between the paper  
and the Democratic National Com-  
mittee. It heard the charge made that  
the American Legion Weekly was con-  
trolled by the Republican National  
Committee.

It listened to a charge that Senator  
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## BELIEVE FREDERICK TOOL OF JEWELRY CROOK BAND

Police Work on New Angle of Case  
of Using Mails to Secure  
Diamonds.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—Develop-  
ments today as the result of the ar-  
rest yesterday of Patrick Paul  
Frederick, of Wilmington, N. C., on a  
charge of having used the mails to  
defraud jewelry firms leads to the  
belief, officers said today, that the  
prisoner was merely a tool in the  
hands of a ring of men higher up.

Frederick entered a plea of guilty  
yesterday when arraigned before a  
United States Commissioner, and was  
remanded to jail in default of \$5,000  
bail. His arrest and preliminary  
hearing was based on an attempt  
September 6, to obtain diamonds  
valued at \$7,000 ordered from the  
George T. Brennan Co., of Mem-  
phis, Tenn. Officials declared he had  
confessed to having obtained approxi-  
mately \$20,000 worth of diamonds  
from jewelry concerns in the South.

Frederick operated, the police said,  
by ordering diamonds in the name of  
some man of well-known financial re-  
sponsibility and impersonating this  
man and claiming the jewels when  
they were delivered.

At the time of his arrest he was  
registered at a hotel under the name  
of Walter D. Donaghy, a millionaire  
of New Orleans.

Reports by Plane.  
SAVANNAH, GA., Sept. 24.—Sergeant C. B. Keller, U. S. M. C., sta-  
tioned at Parris Island, thirty-five  
miles from Savannah, made court his-  
tory here today in reported by air-  
plane at the city court as a witness.  
The papers summoning Sergeant  
Keller and his wife were received by  
mail for him to make train connec-  
tion.

Last excursion Norfolk N. & W. to-  
morrow, September 26th, \$2.40 Round  
Trip, \$2.40 Norfolk and Seaside.—Adv.

## Babe Ruth Whacks Out His Fifty-First Homer

(By Universal Service.)

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—Babe  
Ruth whacked out his fifth and  
fifty-first homers in the Yankee-  
Washington double-header at the  
Felt Grounds today.

Each circuit wallop was made  
in the first inning. In the first  
game Babe picked one of Pitcher  
Acosta's corner balls and lifted  
it into the right-field grandstand.  
Jim Shaw, who pitched the sec-  
ond game, was the slugger's sec-  
ond victim.

It is estimated that thousands  
of dollars changed hands today as  
a result of the two homers, many  
fans having taken the short end  
of bets that Babe Ruth would not  
reach the half-century mark this  
year.

## PRESIDENT WILSON SAYS TREATIES MUST STAND

Declines to Carry Out the Letter of  
Merchant Marine  
Act.

TO RESPECT AGREEMENTS

Congress Exceeds Authority in  
Directing This Abrogation of  
Commercial Pacts — President  
Hays Action Precedent.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 24.—Presi-  
dent Wilson has declined to take  
steps toward termination of certain  
commercial treaties, as directed by  
Congress in the merchant marine  
act, holding that "such a course  
would be wholly irreconcilable with  
the historical respect which the  
United States has shown for its in-  
ternational engagements."

Formal announcement of the Presi-  
dent's decision and the reasons im-  
plying it was made today at the State  
Department. The merchant marine  
act, as approved by the President in  
the closing days of the last session of  
Congress, directed the executive  
within ninety days to give notice to  
foreign nations of the intentions of  
the United States to terminate any  
existing commercial treaties which  
restricted the right of the Ameri-  
can government to impose dis-<